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| **History Progress Ladder – Year 8** |
| **Grade** | **Knowledge & conceptual understanding** | **Skills** | **QWC** |
| **-5 to +5** | **Key Features** I can describe the past in detail.  **Cause and Consequence** I can explain and link together several causes and consequences of an event  **Analysis and Significance** I can offer more than one argument to explain why some factors are more important. I can construct tentative judgements about the past.  **Change and Continuity** I can explain why there are similarities and differences over time | **Inference** I can make detailed inferences from a source, deploying historical knowledge.  **Purpose** I can offer an simple explanation of the message and intention of a source showing an awareness of context  **Utility** I can explain why a source might be useful to my enquiry  **Reliability** I can analyse and evaluate several sources.  **Sources and Own Knowledge** Increasingly, I can use evidence to support my arguments.  **Interpretation and Representation** I can use my historical knowledge to test and compare the validity of contrasting interpretations or representations of the past. | Competent |
| **-4 to +4** | **Key Features** I can use a growing range of historical terms to describe features of the past.  **Cause and Consequence** I can briefly explain and link together a few causes and consequences of an event.  **Analysis and Significance** I can offer one argument to explain why some are more important.  **Change and Continuity** I can produce a simple explanation of both similarities and differences between different periods in history. | **Inference** I can make inferences from a source, making some use of my historical knowledge.  **Purpose** I can briefly explain the message and intention of a source.  **Utility** I can give a simple explanation of why a source might be useful to my enquiry.  **Reliability** I can analyse and offer a simple evaluation of several sources.  **Sources and Own Knowledge** I can sometimes use evidence to support an argument. | Relevant & developed |
| **3 to +3** | **Key Features** I can use a range of historical terms to describe some features of the past.  **Cause and Consequence** I can describe and tentatively link a few causes and consequences of an event.  **Analysis and Significance**I can offer a simple explanation of why some factors are more important.  **Change and Continuity** I can offer a reason for both continuity or change over time and describe both similarities and differences between different periods in history. | **Inference** I can briefly state what I think a source may suggest.  **Purpose** I can identify and describe the message of a source.  **Utility** I can give a reason why a source might be useful to my enquiry.  **Reliability** I can briefly state my doubts about the reliability of a source.  **Sources and Own Knowledge** I am beginning to use a piece of evidence to support an argument. | Developing  |
| **+1 to +2** | **Key Features**I can use a small range of historical terms to describe basic features of the past.  **Cause and Continuity**  I can identify a few causes and consequences of an event and suggest that some are more important.  **Change and Consequence** I can describe some things that have changed over time and describe differences between different periods in history. ***Foundation Skill*** *I can put a range of people, events and changes into date order.* | **Inference** I can identify several features within a source and I can demonstrate a basic understanding.  **Purpose** I can identify the message of a source. **Utility** I can identify reasons why some sources are more or less useful to my enquiry. **Reliability** With guidance, I can briefly state my doubts about the reliability of a source, referring to its nature, origin or purpose.***Foundation Skill****I can identify different types of historical sources.*  | Basic  |